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John Dillinger is dead. The cops finally got him. Although America dislikes bloody shootings, everyone will approve of the mowing down of this social menace.

Our comment on the end of the career of John Dillinger is limited to just one thought. He was alone at the end. Where were "Baby Face" Nelson, John Hamilton and his other "henchmen" Sunday night when Dillinger was shot down? They had followed the desperado in his hey day of crime, but when the end came he was left to face the music alone! Therein lies a lesson; John Dillinger alone with $7,83 in his pockets. Let youth be taught that such is the reward of crime.

Labor has gained few points in the series of strikes over the nation. The employers have gotten most of public consideration. Down in Hopewell, we are prone to believe strikers would be glad enough to "call it a draw" and return to their work. We hear that hundreds of families have left the town since the strike began and business men in Hopewell face tremendous losses. This is not yet a time for labor to expect much from employers whose means have been sapped by the depression.

The success of the Democratic party in Virginia is partly, at least due to the constant replenishing of the ranks of leaders from among the younger members of the party. The "organization" has been kept virile. Experienced "oldsters" like Carter Glass have worked side by side with younger leaders like Harry Flood Byrd.

Therefore, Young Democratic convention in Lynchburg this week end will be most interesting. The delegates are the future leaders of Virginia. When they are called to public service they will be ready.

BANKERS SUPPORT SOUND EXPANSION

By R. S. HECHT
Vice President, American Bankers Association

R. S. HECHT

BANKERS universally recognize that the prime economic need of the nation is the stimulation of sound industrial and commercial activities and recent travels over a wide stretch of the country have shown us that they everywhere are making all of effort possible to find constructive financial support within the scope of their proper banking functions to promote the expansion of business activity.

Frequently in times past when our country suffered from an economic depression and consequent unemployment on a large scale, the rise of some broad new industrial development, such for instance as a new industry like the automobile industry, has been a powerful factor in stimulating a return or an accelerated growth of national prosperity. Such a movement means the creation of new wealth, the employment of large groups of people on useful lines and as a consequence the production and distribution of sound, effective purchasing power, which is a form of wholesome economic stimulant that has none of the evils of monetary inflation.

A New Force for Business Improvement

Perhaps we have at hand, if not the rising of a wholly new industry, a measurable equivalent in the potentialities of a widespread rebuilding and modernizing movement such as home remodeling, plant remodeling, the putting of our railroads on a high speed air conditioned basis and other valuable developments in the construction field. The effects of such activities on employment and many lines of business would be most beneficial and I can report without reservation that we bankers are willing and eager to play our full economic part in any such constructive developments.

It has been made to appear that money has not gone to work because of the timidity of bankers rather than what is a true explanation, because business men have not had enough confidence in the business outlook to borrow the dollar from the banker and put it to work.

The basic requisite to the expansion of commercial bank loans is sound, normal business conditions on which to conduct sound, normal banking operations. The best business a bank can wish for is the opportunity to loan money to successful business men and manufacturers imbued with confidence to enter upon aggressive business enterprises and endowed with the ability to bring them to successful conclusions. Such loans mean business activity for the community, growing payrolls and prosperity, and the banker wants to make them because he is identified with such activities not only means profits to him but, additionally, brings him the reward of good will in his community.

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Lesson for July 29

MICAIAH SPEAKS THE TRUTH

LESSON TEXT—I Kings 22:1-40.
GOLDEN TEXT—And Micaiah said, As the Lord liveth, what the Lord saith unto me, that will I speak. I Kings 22:14.
PRIMARY TOPIC—A Man Who Told the Truth.
JUNIOR TOPIC—A Man Who Dared to Tell the Truth.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Telling the Truth Under Difficulties.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Courageous Truth-Telling.

I. A League Between Two Kings (vv. 1-4).

1. Who these kings were (v. 2).

a. Jehoshaphat, king of Judah. He was for the most part a good king, having done much to put down idolatry and restore the worship of the true God.

b. Ahab, king of Israel. He was a weak and wicked king.

2. The occasion (v. 2). It was on a visit of Jehoshaphat to Ahab, perhaps for the cultivation of a friendly relationship in case of an attack by the Syrians, or it may have been because of a social relation incident to the marriage of Jehoshaphat's son to Ahab's daughter, the wicked Athaliah.

3. The purpose of (vv. 3, 4). It was a merger for the purpose of conquest. The fortified city of Ramoth-gilead had been ceded to Ahab as the result of a previous war, but it had not been actually turned over. Jehoshaphat pledged unreservedly the support of his people, without seeking the mind of God.

II. Advice From the Lord Sought (vv. 5-28).

Even though the merger had been formed Jehoshaphat was unwilling to go into battle without inquiring of the Lord.

1. Through a group of prophets (v. 6; 9:12). Some four hundred prophets responded to the call of Ahab. Who those prophets were we are not told. Evidently they were not prophets of Baal (I Kings 18:19); neither were they true prophets of the Lord. They knew Ahab's wish and therefore sought to curry favor with him by encouraging him to follow out his desire. Zedekiah, their leader, symbolized the success of the Joint campaign by the use of horns of iron. Jehoshaphat sensed the falseness of these prophets.

2. A message from the Lord's prophet desired (v. 7). The king of Judah was unwilling to carry out his contract with Ahab without knowing the mind of God as to the matter. This he should have sought before consenting to the merger.

3. Micaiah speaks the truth (vv. 13-28).

a. He first speaks in irony (v. 15). The king's messenger who brought Micaiah from prison advised him to speak that which would be pleasing to the king, but Micaiah was not a man server but God's faithful servant. He courageously declared that his message would be what God told him to say (v. 14). Regardless of result he would do only as God directed.

b. Micaiah speaks plainly (vv. 16-28) Ahab detected the prophet's ironic speech and demanded of him the plain truth. To this demand Micaiah responded by making clear the peril which awaited them. He also told Ahab that through lying spirits he would be lured to a grave of death. This faithfulness on the part of God's prophet was rewarded by the king and smiting by the false prophets and imprisonment from the king. The true prophet will speak God's word regardless of consequences.

From Micaiah's experience we should learn:

(1) The inevitable opposition between God's message and the purpose of evil men. This explains why true preachers of the Word of God are so popular, and are called narrow and glum.

(2) The folly of the attitude of hatred against those who truly witness against them. Ahab hated Micaiah because Micaiah told him what would come to him for such a course of action. God's prophet did not make the evil but only made it known.

III. The Doom of Ahab (vv. 29-40).

1. He went forth to battle in spite of Micaiah's warning. The issue proved that Micaiah was right.

2. He disguised himself as a common soldier. He thought to escape the predicted fate through disguise, but an arrow from the enemy pierced him in spite of his armor. Ahab died as predicted and his blood was licked by the dogs as Elijah had said (I Kings 21:19). There is a bitter end coming to those who will not heed God's warning. The only way to escape doom is to turn away from sin.

Greatest Happiness

There is only one thing greater than happiness in the world, and that is holiness, and it is not in our keeping; but what God has put in our power is the happiness of those about us, and that is largely to be secured by our being kind to them.

Promise of God

I would sooner walk in the dark, and hold hard to a promise of my God, than trust in the light of the brightest day that ever dawned.—C. H. Spurgeon.

Then and Now

Due to excessive ice and snow in the winter of 1839-40, copies of the Presidential message that was delivered early in December did not get to the Ohio state capital until January 2. In 1845 President Polk's message was brought by stage coach in 34 hours and 2 minutes. "Such rapidity," declared the Ohio Statesman, "can hardly be believed, and speaks volumes for the enterprise of the age."

"The Pied Piper" and How He Disposed of the Rats.

In the Middle Ages, Hamelin, Germany, suffered terribly from a plague of rats and mice. In the spring of 1284, according to the story, a man appeared, dressed in the variegated costume of a strolling musician, and told the city fathers that he could free the town from the small pests. A sum of money was agreed on, recalls a writer in the New York World-Telegram, to be paid if the stranger could fulfill his promise. He thereupon went through the streets playing on his pipe, and the rats and mice streamed out and followed the musician in a long procession into the Weser, where they all drowned, while the piper swam to shore.

He then demanded his payment. The city fathers demurred. The job had been too easy, they declared, to justify giving out so much money. The piper angered, went away. He came back on June 26, clothed this time as a hunter. It was a Sunday morning, and all the citizens were in church. The piper began blowing a strange melody, and all the children in the town from four to fifteen years old, 130 in all, according to the saga, followed him, dancing as they went. When they reached the Koppenberg, a hill not far from Hamelin, a door opened and all entered, except a few children, but one was deaf and the other blind, and they could give a clear report of what had happened.

One of the many interesting Renaissance houses in the town recalls the vengeance of the deceived piper. This is the Rattenfängerhaus, or the rat catcher's house, a beautiful specimen of German Renaissance. It was built in 1605 as part of the dowry of a young noblewoman.

Order of Publicatio.

In the Clerk's office of the county of Appomattox on the 3rd. day of July, 1934:

John W. Williams, Plaintiff

Against

Florence Fry Williams, defendant

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce from the defendant on the ground of desertion.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Florence Fry Williams . . . is a resident of the state of Va., it is ordered that she do appear within 15 days after due publication hereof and do what may be necessary to protect her interests in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Times Virginian, a newspaper published in the county of Appomattox that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this County on or before the 16th. day of July, 1934, that being the next succeeding Rule day after this order was entered, and the Clerk mail a copy hereof to each of the said defendants to the post office address given in the affidavit herein, and file a certificate of the fact in the papers of the case.

A Copy—Teste:

C. W. Smith, Clerk.

Geo. Abbitt Jr, p. q.

Ruins of Cuzco

In Cuzco, Peru, once the metropolis of the Incas, may be seen massive ruins on a par with those to be found in Egypt. When the city was captured by Pizarro its temples were marvels of magnificence. The Temple of the Sun was covered with a coat of gold. The railroad to Cuzco skirts Lake Titicaca, an inland sea, 165 miles long, 60 miles wide, and 12,500 above the level of the sea. The water never freezes, even when the temperature drops to 20 degrees, and steel knives drawn into it do not rust.

Vandalism

The word "vandalism" does not always denote malicious destruction, says Literary Digest. Vandalism is defined: "Hostility to or contempt for art and literary treasures; wanton or ignorant destruction or defacement of monuments of the past, or treasures of art or learning." Accordingly vandalism may be hostile and malicious; it may be contemptuous; it may be due to ignorance. The destruction of a treasured bit of sculpture by small boys may be due simply to ignorant mischievousness without malicefulness.

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CHAP

Chap, July 25.- The revival meeting at Central Church will begin next Sunday July 29 will be Rev. W. M. Black assisted by Rev. R. Smith. . . . .

Walter Ferguson and children, Curtis Martin and family, of Richmond and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson and family visited W. H. Ferguson recently. . . . .

The friends of W. B. Harvey regret to hear of his illness. . . . .

Frances Harvey is improving nicely. . . . .

Miss Celene Woodson spent last Saturday night with Miss Susan Hall. . . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Doan Pugh and Miss Alta Boggs spent the week -end in Lynchburg recently. . . . .

STONEWALL

Stonewall, July 25.- Revival services will begin at Hebron Baptist church on Sunday, July 29th. . . . conduct the services. Rev. E. F. Campbell, of Rivermont Avenue Baptist church, Lynchburg will assist the pastor, Rev. W. T Henderson . . . .

Miss Eleanor Davidson spent last week with relatives in Bedford. . . . .

Miss Nellie Turnes is spending this week with her aunt, Mrs. A. W. Perrow, at Sherrill. . . . .

Mrs. Walker Harding and children spent last week with Mrs. C. J. Harding here. . . . .

Mr. and Mrs J U Desmond, of Lynchburg and Harry King, of Riverdale, Maryland visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Z King here last week. . . . .

Mrs. Addie A. Jennings, of Proctor visited relatives here last week. . . . .

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Scruggs and daughter, Miss Helen, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. A Babcock, of Gladstone. . . . .

Mrs. E. L Chick visited her brother, Mrs. Lizzie Drinkard in Appomattox last week. . . . .

Invite your friends to spend their vacation in Appomattox.

Hard on Teeth

The Eskimo woman's teeth are conspicuous by their absence. They are practically worn down to the gums because she chews the skins before sewing in order to soften them and to keep them pliable. In time the tough hide flies the teeth down slowly but surely. An occasional bite will wear down to a fine point, is used as a needle. Filed teeth are not considered a drawback in Alaska. It is a foregone conclusion that a woman without teeth is never a lazy woman.

The Eiffel Tower

The Eiffel tower is 984 feet high. It was built as one of the centers of attraction of the Paris exposition of 1889. Its designer was the French engineer Alexandre Gustave Eiffel—hence its name. After the exposition the French government decided to preserve it, and while it stands chiefly as a monument to engineering skill and an attraction for sightseers, it is also an important government station for meteorological observations and wireless telegraphy.

Black-Draught Brings Refreshing Relief of Constipation Troubles

Constipation produces many disagreeable sensations, several of which are mentioned by Mr. T. E. Stith, of Boonville, Ind., who writes: "I have used Thedford's Black-Draught many years when needed for billousness and other minor ills when a laxative was needed. I have a tight feeling in my chest when I get billous. I get dizzy and feel very tired, just don't feel like doing my work. After taking Black-Draught, I feel much better. This is why I continue to use it when needed." . . . Thedford's Black-Draught is a good, purely vegetable laxative, obtainable for 25¢ a package.

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EVERGREEN

Evergreen, July 25.- Crops and gardens are suffering from lack of rain. . . . . .

J.L. Clark, who has been in the sick list for some time, is improving. . . . . .

W. T Hundnall and daughter, Virginia, of Memphis, Tenn. and Mrs. Mollie Hundnall and two grand daughters, Gaynell and Mary Sue Angler, of Roanoke were the week end guests of Mrs. Ada and Mr. and Mrs. W W Farrar. . . . .

Misses Addie Lenia Ferguson and Madian Lee were the week end guests of friends. . . . .

Mr. and Mrs. R A Nuckels, Mr. and Mrs Roy Pierce, of Lynchburg were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L Clark. . . . .

Mrs. Ada Farrar adn Miss Carrie Elizabeth have returned from a visit to Roanoke and Lynchburg. . . . .

Ponds and creeks are very attractive now and we see truck loads daily going for a cool dip.

Mrs. Ellen Staples, of near Rustburg was a recent guest of her son, H. C. Staples. . . . . .

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Henry Ford

A letter from Mr. Henry Ford published by the Associated Ford Dealers of this territory.

AN AFFAIR OF HONOR

By THAYER WALDO
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WITH Margaret on his arm, Ward strode proudly into the Purple Hat. It was thinly peopled, for he had purposely chosen the busiest luncheon hour.

Half the men in Hollywood had been trying for a date with the little actress from Kentucky ever since her arrival, and his success was worth a flourish.

Ward passed just inside, ostensibly seeking a table.

The golden-haired beauty beside him drank close with gratifying familiarity. Suddenly he saw a man emerge from a nearby booth and approach their table. It was Al Alberts of the scenario staff at Zenith.

Ward started a cordial greeting but checked it at sight of the other's unsmiling face.

Alberts confronted him and said evenly:

"See here, Ward; you're trespassing. Miss Blair promised me a luncheon appointment today."

Ward laughed shortly.

"Don't be absurd, old fellow," he rejoined; "you're just trifling to attract attention."

"No; I'm entirely serious. I must ask you to withdraw."

From the corner of his eye Ward could see a number of persons watching interestedly. Among them he recognized the film editor of a leading afternoon paper. A wild impulse was born. He glanced swiftly at the girl; her cheeks were reddening and a haughty little scowl crinkled her forehead.

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That decided him.

Snatching a napkin from the nearest table, he wheeled and slapped it smartly across the Alberts face.

"Take that, you insolent whelp!" he shouted with unnecessary volume. "This affront is unpardonable can only be treated as an affair of honor."

Eyes blazing, the scenarist cried: "Very well, sir; I am at your service."

Silently Ward applauded the speech. It fit the scene he had attempted to create with nicety. He made a brief stiff bow and said:

"Excellent. I invite you to come with me at once and make the arrangements. This must be kept private to avoid interference."

"Good; I accept."

Ward faced Margaret Blair.

She was large-eyed now, and he thought he could detect excited approval in her expression.

"Will you," he asked, "have the goodness to forgive me if I leave you with a friend here and go? My hot blood can't tolerate such insulting conduct."

"Oh, sushly!" Her tone implied full understanding. "We'd have to do that now, of co'se."

Approaching the newspaperman, Ward said:

"Melvin, I'd be deeply obliged if you'd see that Miss Blair has lunch and gets back to the studio."

The editor rose, beaming. "Okay—be very happy."

Ward about-faced and with Alberts matching step, stalked from the place, happily conscious that all eyes followed.

Fifty paces the two men marched in silence; then:

"Have you ever handled a sword?" Ward demanded bluntly. The other shook his head.

"Never even held one."

"Neither have I. We'll have to figure some way around it. That was too good an act back there not to carry on."

"I'll say so! How did you happen to think of striking me with the napkin? That was real genius."

"Oh, because Maggie Blair was there, I guess. Old southern gesture, and all that. But the best thing was the way you approached me. What suggested that?"

"Well, she really did promise to have lunch with me; and then, I saw Melvin and thought how he'd like a nice spicy story."

"I got it. Some reason I challenged you. Now I've been considering, and here's what I think might work out best. . . ."

Al Alberts gave scrupulous attention. When the other concluded, he stated with emphasis:

"Great! That's the one plan that can save our faces and still be straight. Let's get 'em right now, and then we can go to my apartment for the art work."

"Right." Ward glanced back, made certain they weren't followed, and hailed a cab. Both men got in. Ward told the driver:

"Great Western Costume company."

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Five minutes' ride through the scant midday traffic reached the place. Entering, they went at once to a long desk just inside; over it was painted a sign: PROPERTIES RENTAL DEPT.

"We want," Ward said to the man in charge, "two duelling swords. One day's rental; you can pick 'em up to morrow at Zenith."

With professional disinterest the clerk made out a slip, got Ward's signature, and disappeared into a rear room.

Shortly he returned, bringing a paper-wrapped parcel from which protruded two gleaming hilts. Alberts tucked it under his arm and they left.

An hour later, seated before a wide dow that overlooked the wooded banks of Laurel canyon, Ward was giving himself careful scrutiny in a hand mirror.

The countenance it showed had undergone a gaudy transformation.

Splotches of mercurochrome were spaced by court plaster patches; the effect was something between a major surgical and a severe case of scarlet fever.

"Thanks; practically perfect, seems to me," he told the other at last, putting the glass down. "And you—well, that mug's enough to strike awe in the hearts of strong men, if I do say it myself."

Alberts chuckled, stood up, and clicked his heels together.

"Honored opponent," he said, bending forward at the waist; "may I tender my respects at the close of this epic struggle which has ended in a draw! Let us hope our sons copy our virtues bold."

"Seconded. What this world needs is more virility and less shoddy hanging. . . . Say, what about the swords; think they ought to be unwrapped and done up in different papers?"

Alberts gestured carelessly. "Nix; that part'll never notice details. Come on—let's have dinner sent up. I'm starved and we don't dare go out. But tomorrow we'll reap the rewards of valor. And remember—it's to be fair competition for Margaret Blair, and may the best liar win!"

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. . . and so, after ten minutes of terrific fighting with no advantages on either side, I finally succeeded in hitting him back step by step." Ward paused; through the knot of scoffers clustered about he glimpsed, across the lot, a similar group surrounding Alberts.

"I only hope," he stated stiffly, "that that gentleman over there is rendering me my just due, as I am his to him."

Lo.-s see; wuss was I?"

The spectators were drawing back to make way for some one.

In an instant the eagerly concerned face of Margaret Blair appeared.

"Oh, my dear! she cried at sight of Ward. "Yeah so heroic lookin'! What happened?"

He smiled upon her with expansive delight.

"Well, I was just explaining. We had a titanic battle, but at last I made one lightning lunge and—"

Again slight consternation as another newcomer shoved through the press from behind and tapped Ward's shoulder.

He turned sharply, frowning, and recognized the fellow from the costumers.

"Those swords," the fellow said; "where are they? I gotta have 'em right away."

Ward waved him impatiently aside. "Yes, yes; not just now. Can't you see I'm busy? . . . Well, he tried to parry the thrust, but—"

"Hey, I tell you I can't wait. It's important."

Drawing himself up, Ward swung full upon the man with a freezing glower.

"I said later! Certainly you don't need them badly enough to warrant—"

"Yeah—I do, though." The property man's tone was doggedly persistent. "I just got a call from Paramount for two rubber swords, and those are the only ones we have."

Odd Way a Punish

An odd way of punishing incorrigible prisoners is used in Pentonville abbey, one of the grimmest prisons in France. From 10 a. m. to 7 p. m. daily, they are locked in a large room and made to march for 50 out of every 60 minutes between stone blocks set in checkerboard arrangement about 4 feet apart. After this nine-hour ordeal, they are given one bowl of soup and sent to bed.—Collier's Weekly.

Religious Liberty in Old Maryland Colony

It is not surprising that the colonists who founded Maryland sought religious liberty for themselves, but it was a novel proceeding that, in an age when Christendom was torn by fratricidal strife because of differences in creed, they should promise to give the same privilege of freedom of conscience to all who chose to come to live with them.

While as yet there was no spot in Europe or America where men's religious convictions were too sacred to be invaded by tests of state or assailed by the forces of bigotry, Lord Baltimore's first order to his colonists was that there should be no difference on account of religion.

The records show that at first both Catholics and Protestant sects used a community church; that a proclamation was issued in 1638 for the suppression of "disputes tending to the opening of a faction in religion," and an act of the assembly declared that "no person professing to believe in Jesus Christ shall be troubled, molested, or discountenanced, for, or in respect of, his or her religion."

Thus Protestant and Catholic dwelt together in harmony, neither attempting to interfere with the rights of worship of the other, and "religious liberty obtained a home, its only home in the wide world, at the humble village which bore the name of St. Marys."—Bulletin National Geographic Society.

Storm Prevents Battle

At one time during the World war Britain's grand fleet and the German high sea fleet were only 42 miles from each other, each arrayed for battle—a battle between two mighty fleets which never occurred because the German commander in chief, relying upon vital wireless information from a certain airship, scurried back to shelter, the airship in question having been compelled to turn aside from her course to avoid a thunderstorm and unable to secure the information wanted.

Conditional

"And what is the rent of this room, including the use of the piano?" inquired the long-haired one.

"Well," suggested the landlady, "perhaps you'd be so good as to play me something first."

Home Life in Tibet

In Tibet religion dominates the life of the people as nowhere else on earth, yet weddings are without benefit of clergy. Marriage is not a holy sacrament, writes Harrison Forman, in Cosmopolitan. In this strange land exist, side by side, more kinds of marriage than anywhere else—and fewer divorces. The Tibetan woman may divorce her husband, or husbands, merely by rejoining her family, which will welcome her gladly—and she will have attained a higher marriage value; and yet few Tibetan women "walk out." Ostensibly, the Tibetan man is dominant; a swashbuckling figure, armed with sword, rifle and spear; Journeying far, for festivals, robbery, hunting and trading. Women keeps the family clothed, the larder filled and the house fires burning—in a yak-hair tent.

Warthog Backs Into Home

There is one animal which always goes into its home backward. This animal is the African warthog. The warthog is so ugly that one writer has described it as "more like the incarnation of some hideous dream than any other living animal." It is a distant cousin of the domestic pig. It gets its name from warty protuberances on its face, which are especially marked on the male.—Field Museum News.

Drugs Obtained From Toads

The ancient Chinese obtained the powerful drug digitalis and a form of adrenalin from the toad by putting pepper in its mouth so that the animal would secrete the drugs from its skin. The giving-off of digitalis and adrenalin by the toad was a form of self-protection. The Chinese did not then know it, and if they did eat the toad they often died.

7-Foot Roman Skeleton Found

Peasants plowing near Potenza in southern Italy found the skeleton of a soldier still wearing his helmet and the medal he won in the Second Punic war of 200 B. C. The medal is inscribed Scipio Africanus on one side and Hannibal Punicus on the reverse, showing that the warrior fought for the Roman Scipio who, having conquered Hannibal the Carthaginian, took to himself the name of Africanus. The man was nearly seven feet tall, as his skeleton proved before it crumbled his skeleton proved before it crumbled his skeleton proved before it crumbled his head-piece and the medal.

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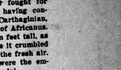

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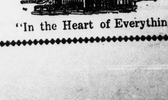

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